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Fiber Path

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed November 20, 2009, please replace the section entitled Amendments to the Claims with the attached Replacement Amendments to the Claims for the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Replacement Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.